

Early Years Talk-Talk

Friday 25th June 2021





Message from Mrs Grainger

With the obvious disappointment of the Covid rules not changing, we have given thought to how we can facilitate transition to the next school year.

Parents/carers will receive confirmation of their child's new class and teacher in the annual report to parents and carers on Friday 9th July. Your child will be told of this during the day and the next year class teacher will aim to pop into your child's current class to introduce themselves. This will be very brief, ensuring social distancing and our bubbles are maintained. You will also have the opportunity to book a time to have a phone call with your child's current class teacher to discuss their report, please ensure you return the booking form that will be sent home with their report.

The teachers will film a short piece in the new classroom to introduce themselves and the classroom. Children will be shown these films in their current class.

Children in Reception and Year 2, will take a school tour with their current class teacher, to see the new part of the school they will be based. This will include where they come in and go home, the classroom, toilets, dining hall and playgrounds.

If restrictions lift on 19th July, we hope to spend a short amount of time in new classes in the last week, details of this to be confirmed nearer the time.

Year 6 children are engaged in transition of varying kinds, organised by the high schools, over the coming weeks. It's both daunting and exciting moving to the next phase of education – Good luck!

Message from Early Years

This week has been an exciting week in Early Years. We have been completing lots of exciting activities such as making sea creatures out of box modelling, labelling parts of the body (arm, leg, head, tongue etc), counting out the correct amount of gems to match the number, practicing our cutting skills by cutting out a jellyfish, following instructions to make a handprint pirate, making our own eye patches and using our imaginations to be pirates and much more. This week, we have learned all about electricity and have made our own circuits to light up the bulbs for our lighthouses. Take a look at the pictures.

In maths this week, we have been continuing to learn all about money. We have been learning how much change we would have from a 10p if we brought objects from a shop. In literacy this week, we have been continuing to read the story 'Whatever Next'. We used the story map to help us re-write the story using story language.

Sports Week 5th - 9th July 2021

We have decided this year to organise a sports week for the children, not a day. The children will wear sports kit and house colours for the whole week and partake in events within their bubble. They will also have a taster of some Olympic activities such as Kata, Curling and Boccia. Activities will generate points for their house, and an overall winner will be shared during a celebration assembly on Friday. Unfortunately, parents/carers are unable to attend the events as they are spread throughout the week, but at least we can be sure that these plans will not be disrupted by varying Covid guidance.





This week, we have been busy making additions to our outdoor area. The children worked together to build our small greenhouses where we are going to keep some of our outdoor resources. They looked at the instructions and carefully put the pieces together. They were so helpful!

On Monday, it was National Yoga day, so we did a special Yoga session about going to the seaside. Some of our younger children hadn't tried Yoga before and it was lovely to see them all joining in and trying to perfect their moves!

We designed posters this week to warn of the dangers of dropping litter on the beach. The children talked about what would happen if sea creatures ate crisp packets or pieces of plastic. They used some excellent vocabulary in our discussions and designed some great posters.

In the forest, we took the viewers and our notebooks, drew pictures and labelled what we found. We built a car using the crates and tyres and pretended we were visiting the seaside. Finally, we have been practising our events ready for Sports Week. We have been practising the egg and spoon race, relay and a skipping race. The children will certainly be ready for their events once Sports Week arrives!







Our Reception children make us proud every week with their learning!
Take a look at this week's activities...





